

TO-DAY'S NEWS IN BRIEF.

BUSINESS.
Yesterday's bank clearings were \$10,638,456. Local discount rates were firm between 4 1/2 and 5 1/2 per cent. Domestic exchange was quoted as follows: New York, 100 premium bid, 20 premium asked; Chicago par, 100 premium asked; Cincinnati, Louisville and New Orleans, par, 100 premium asked.
Wheat closed higher at 74 1/2c bid July, 74 1/2c No. 2 red, corn closed higher at 61 1/2c asked May, 61 1/2c No. 2 mixed. Oats closed at 45 1/2c May, 45 1/2c No. 2 Northern. The local market for spot cotton was 1/2c higher.

WASHINGTON.
Former Sergeant Davis tells the Senate Committee on Philippines about the administration of the "water cure" to natives by soldiers.
Senator Morgan spoke four hours yesterday in behalf of the Nicaragua Canal. The Congressmen Francis W. Cushman of Washington made a sensational speech yesterday against the rules of the Senate. He said that the regulations concentrated the power of the lower body practically in the hands of one man, and that it was necessary to make terms with the Speaker in order to do business. His speech was filled with sarcasm and humor and evoked an ovation in laughter and applause from both sides of the House.
Representative De Armond made a notable speech yesterday, advocating the reduction of the tariff on trust-made goods.

LOCAL AND SUBURBAN.
The details of the Title Guaranty-Missouri Trust merger are still under consideration. A suit was introduced in evidence in the A. Deane Cooper murder case.
The two St. Louis prelates which have been in session adjourned.
St. Louis Knights of Father Mathew prepare an exhibit to be sent today to the Cork International Exposition.
The Anti-Saloon League appoints a committee of five to name a committee of one hundred to raise funds to carry on the wine-temperance crusade.
The Transit Company files a detailed statement with the City Register, giving the value of its property as \$1,175,000.
The Sheriff levies upon property of John K. Murrell's bondsman to satisfy judgment for \$5,000 obtained by reason of accused bribe-taker's forfeiture.
License Commissioner Whyte issued a license for "Pepper," a vagrant dog, in the name of several friends on West Pine boulevard, with whom the dog makes his home.

Judge John P. Butler, referee and special commissioner in the suit to oust the Commercial Tobacco Company, holds Missouri's antitrust law to be unconstitutional, and will report to the Supreme Court that the suits should not be maintained.
Attorney Farling says half of the 130 inmates of the House of Refuge are being illegally held.

The faculty of the Benton College of Law will undertake to raise an endowment to provide accommodations for the increased attendance.
Eleven students were graduated at the commencement exercises of the Homeopathic Medical College.
Confederate Veterans camps are preparing for their departure for Dallas for the annual reunion.

Carl Moller, grand secretary for Missouri of the Royal Arcanum, and a prominent G. A. R. man, died of pneumonia at his home, No. 416 Washington boulevard.

GENERAL DOMESTIC.
There is a spirited race between Democratic Congressional candidates in the Sixth Missouri District. There are five candidates, and all are working for the vote of Franklin County.
A joint meeting of the bankers' associations of Missouri, Kansas, Oklahoma and Indian Territory will be held at Kansas City May 12 and 13.

Much expert testimony was introduced in behalf of Doctor Carson in his suit for a fee of \$350, pending in the Washington County (Ill.) Circuit Court.
The Philadelphia Press expresses the editorial opinion that the directors of the St. Louis World's Fair should at once settle all doubts as to the date of opening the Exposition.

Panicky shorts sent the price of cotton sagging to new levels in New York and New Orleans.
James Stephen Hogg, former Governor of Texas, arrived at New York on his way home from England.

The Yates faction secured but one out of five delegates at the Cumberland County, Illinois, Republican Convention.
A number of St. Louis bank officials are in attendance at the meeting of the Arkansas Bankers' Association at Little Rock.

Sam B. Cook has issued another chapter of his handbook on Missouri government, in which he shows that a debt of about twenty millions of dollars was created and paid by corrupt Republican administration, and that the Democratic party has gradually reduced this burden since its advent in power.

FOREIGN.
Colonel Arthur Lynch is on trial for treason in London, though he stoutly keeps aloof from British hands by fighting with the Boers in South Africa.
Don Francisco D'Assise, former King of Spain, and who was expelled in 1882, died yesterday in France.

John Redmond is a powerful influence in hastening the peace negotiations with the Boers, since he desires to have peace throughout the Empire at the time of his coronation.
John Redmond warns the British Government that coercion in Ireland will lead to violence.

The London Daily Mail announces that peace negotiations have been practically ended with the Boers, the British terms being accepted.
The Belgian Government reluctantly agrees to a vote on the outbreak proposition in the Chamber of Deputies.

SPORTING.
The St. Louis Browns defeated the Indianapolis American Association team at Indianapolis by the score of 4 to 3.
Robert Fitzsimmons announces that he is going to meet Jeffries in California, and invited the champion to make terms to suit himself.

RAILROADS.
Morgan is in absolute control of the I. & N.
Lexington will build an electric line to Kansas City.
The Texas Southern will be financed in St. Louis.

Marine Intelligence.
Liverpool, April 17.—Arrived: Majestic, from New York.
New York, April 17.—Sailed: La Champagne, Havre; Friedrich der Grosse, Bremen; via Cherbourg; Deutschland, Hamburg, via Plymouth and Cherbourg.

Korn, April 17.—Arrived: Falls of Kelzie, Seattle and Coronel, via St. Vincent, Cape Verde.
Antwerp, April 17.—Arrived: Nederland, from Philadelphia.
Plymouth, April 17.—Arrived: Augusta, from New York, for Cherbourg and England.

London, April 17.—Arrived: Lahn, New York via Fayal for Genoa.
Glasgow, April 17.—Sailed: Norwigen, to Boston.
Liverpool, April 17.—Sailed: Parisian, Montreal.
Queenstown, April 17.—Sailed: Havford, Philadelphia-Oceanic, New York, both from Liverpool.
Liverpool, April 17.—Sailed: Steamer Merion, Boston, via Queenstown.
Baltimore, April 17.—Sailed: Steamer Bremen, New York, via Baltimore, St. Marys, Yokohama, April 17.—Sailed: Steamer Olympia, from Hong-Kong, Shanghai and Kobe, for Victoria, British Columbia, and Tacoma.

The Meteor, via Frisco system, to the Confederate Veterans reunion at Dallas.



MISS BETTINA RUTH BUSH
Of Marshall, Mo., maid of honor to the Dallas Confederate Reunion.

CARL MOLLER DIES AFTER BRIEF ILLNESS

Pneumonia Terminates the Busy Career of the Grand Secretary of the Royal Arcanum.

BURIAL AT THE BARRACKS.

Was Prominent in Grand Army Circles and Served With Distinction in the Civil War.

Carl Moller of No. 416 Washington boulevard, grand secretary for Missouri of the Royal Arcanum, and one of the best known secret-order men in St. Louis, died yesterday afternoon of pneumonia, after an illness of about a week.

Mr. Moller was a resident of St. Louis twenty years, building one of the first residences on Washington avenue before the street was opened. He was prominently connected with Logan Post, G. A. R., and it is the wish of his family that he be buried at Jefferson Barracks. The funeral arrangements have not yet been perfected, but he probably will be buried Sunday morning.

Mr. Moller was born in Copenhagen, Denmark, and when quite young accompanied his father to the Danish West Indies. For several years his father, a high army officer, was Governor of the islands. When 19 years old he came to the United States. For a time he was employed in New York, but he gradually drifted westward, went to Fort Leavenworth, and entered the volunteer army. He was a member of the 10th Iowa, and won considerable distinction. He was honorably mustered out and became Indian Agent for the Government at Fort Sill, I. T., and later went into the banking business at Fort Leavenworth. He was married in 1870 to Miss Clara Kuhn of that city and in the same year came to St. Louis.

He became a partner in the firm of Gregory & Smith, and was a member of the firm for several years later became secretary of the Mound City Distilling Company, holding the position sixteen years. July 1, 1891, he was appointed grand secretary for Missouri of the Royal Arcanum, and last February the organization unanimously elected him to the office.

During his connection with the Royal Arcanum, Mr. Moller held every position in the gift of the organization, and was considered one of the best-kept men in St. Louis. He was a member of the G. A. R., and was exceedingly thoughtful of his fellow men and modest in every way. In speaking of his last night, an officer of the organization said:

"So thoroughly interested was he in the affairs of the society that I have often received notes from him before I was up in the morning, referring to matters which he thought needed immediate consideration."

Mr. Moller leaves a widow and one son. The latter is in his second year at West Point.

MATTOON PRESBYTERY SESSION

Representatives Will Be Elected to the New York Meeting.

REPUBLICAN SPECIAL.
Pana, Ill., April 17.—The annual meeting of the Mattoon Presbytery, convened in Shelbyville to-day. Delegates are in attendance from Crawford, Clark, Edgar, Coles, Jasper, Cumberland, Effingham, Fayette, Christian, Monroe, Douglas and Shelby counties. The work of the presbytery is very important. Representatives from this body to the meeting in New York in May will be elected.

The Reverend F. F. Thomas was granted a letter of demission to the presbytery of Neosho Falls, Kas. The Reverend S. W. Patterson was received from the presbytery of Trinity, Tex. The Reverend S. M. Martin of Effingham delivered an address on "What Can the People Do?" followed by the Reverend John D. Bair of Paris on "What Can Pastors Do?" Various reports and consecration services followed.

DAVID L. CALDWELL.

Bowling Green, Mo., April 17.—David L. Caldwell died at his home in this city at 10 o'clock last night of heart failure. He was born in this (Pike) county in 1828, was elected clerk of the county in August, 1859, soon after he was 21 years old, serving several years. He represented the county in the Legislature from 1868 to 1870 and served as Judge of the Probate Court for two years. He was founder of the Pike County Post in 1871, now the oldest paper in the county.

DOUBLE WEDDING AT O'FALLON.

REPUBLICAN SPECIAL.
O'Fallon, Ill., April 17.—A double wedding took place here to-day at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. Horace Evans, the occasion being the marriage of their daughters, Miss Ida to Mr. William Hamann, a prominent business man of Marquette, and Miss Wrenona to Mr. George Titman, a well-known young man of this city.

KING URGES SPEEDY CLOSE OF THE WAR.

British Monarch Anxious to Complete Peace at the Time of His Coronation.

MINISTERS YIELD TO WISHES.

They Will Not Insist on Unconditional Surrender—Transvaal and Free States Delegates Disagree Over Terms.

REPUBLICAN SPECIAL.
New York, April 17.—The London correspondent of the Evening Post cables:

In the interchanges between the Boers and the Ministers the King is proving the most insistent agency for peace. His anxiety to close the war before his coronation accounts for his frequent consultation with his Ministers.
It is due largely to his influence that the Ministers, though still nominally insisting upon unconditional surrender, now take the Boer acceptance of complete annexation as a basis for the informal discussions now proceeding at Pretoria.

Regarding the terms of settlement as matters stand, the Boer leaders generally, though Mr. Schalk Burger, Dr. Steyn and Lord Milner's assurances that a representative government will be granted to Boer and British alike in the conquered territories so soon as military necessities shall permit, the Boers also are led to expect that the bankment proclamation will be allowed to lapse on the conclusion of peace.

As regards annexation, the British Ministry set up a difference between open and covert rebellion among the Cape loyalists and refusal to accept British rule, and the Boers, accepting British protection, secretly abetted the enemy by derailing trains and pillaging.

The question of disfranchisement of rebels is not likely to arise, seeing that the problem of the Constitution of Cape Colony now half suspended, will be fully suspended pending the King's pleasure, as a precaution against any action of the Afrikanerboers.

Upon these lines the hopes of a settlement are strong, and preliminary to granting the right of reincorporation has occupied three months. The condition of the country was determined from the standpoint of its ability to comply with the requirements of the statute governing legal reincorporation. The result of a most careful and thorough examination undertaken by the department shows that the liabilities, including the full statutory reserve, do not exceed a million dollars.

The insurance department increases the value of the real estate holdings beyond the estimate of the department. The beginning of the examination the management asked of the department the utmost strictness of inquiry into its affairs, and this course was rigidly adhered to. Superintendent Hendricks is satisfied that the company is amply able to comply with the requirements of the law for reincorporation as a legal reserve or old-line mutual life insurance company.

The charter was granted yesterday afternoon and now the Mutual Reserve Life Insurance Company takes its place as the third largest purely mutual life insurance company of New York.

President Frederick A. Burnham has thus fulfilled his pledge to the policy holders of placing the Mutual Reserve under the regular law of any part of their ownership in the institution.

The Mutual Reserve Life Insurance Company began its new career prosperously. Founded in 1881, it has within a period of twenty-one years paid in death claims to a membership of a surplus, in excess of thousands of members in practically every State of the Union, and its interests in Europe are important.

OSARK PRESBYTERY ADJOURNED

Interesting Addresses Were Principal Feature of the Session.

REPUBLICAN SPECIAL.
Carthage, Mo., April 17.—To-day's session of the Osark Presbytery opened with the address, "The Law of Reform and Reformation," by Doctor William Frost, Bishop of Carthage.

A very interesting feature to-day was the discussion precipitated by the application of C. A. Enmons, a minister of the Methodist Church, South, to become a Presbyterian minister in full fellowship. By a decisive vote his application was granted. His name is Enmons, I. T.

Doctor H. O. Scott to-night spoke to a large audience on "The Twentieth Century School of Higher Spiritual Education." The next annual session of the presbytery will be held at Moberly.

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Catarrrh Invites Consumption

It weakens the delicate lung tissues, deranges the digestive organs, and breaks down the general health.
It often causes headache and dizziness, impairs the taste, smell and hearing, and affects the voice.
Being a constitutional disease it requires a constitutional remedy.

Hood's Sarsaparilla

Radically and permanently cures catarrh of the nose, throat, stomach, bowels, and more delicate organs.
Read the testimonials.
No substitute for Hood's acts like Hood's. Be sure to get Hood's.

"I was troubled with catarrh 20 years. Seeing statements of cures by Hood's Sarsaparilla resolved to try it. Four bottles entirely cured me." WILLIAM SHERMAN, 109 4th St., Milwaukee, Wis.

Hood's Sarsaparilla promises to cure and keeps the promise.

LANGLEY INVITED TO CONFER ON RULES

Government's Aerostatist May Accompany Santos-Dumont to St. Louis.

SANTOS-DUMONT STARTS FOR ST. LOUIS TO-DAY.

REPUBLICAN SPECIAL.
Washington, April 17.—M. Santos-Dumont, the celebrated aeronaut, will depart for St. Louis Friday at 11:30 a. m., via the Pennsylvania road. This evening he dined with the Brazilian Minister. Since his arrival in Washington he has received marked attention and courtesies from the foreign representatives at the capital.

C. W. Knapp, chairman of the Exposition Aerial Committee, received a telegram yesterday from Santos-Dumont, who is at present in Washington, in which appears the information that Professor Langley of the Smithsonian Institution, may accompany the "Air King" to St. Louis, and add the committee in formulating the rules of the contest.

Messrs. Knapp and Frank, who constitute the Aerial Committee, sent a telegram to Professor Langley, inviting him to come to St. Louis. The telegram read:
"S. P. Langley, Smithsonian Institution, Washington, D. C.: In behalf of the Aerial Navigation Committee, Louisiana Purchase Exposition, we earnestly request your presence with Santos-Dumont on April 21, to confer and advise on conditions of competition for prizes during the World's Fair."

This conference will take place next Monday, and will be attended, it is expected, by C. D. Mosher, Professor Roth, meteorologist for Harvard University, and a member of the International Aeronautics Committee, and also a member of the aeronautical jury at the Paris Exposition and elsewhere; Professor C. M. Woodward of St. Louis and Robert Moore of St. Louis, president of the American Society of Engineers.

\$13.60 TO DALLAS AND RETURN.
Via the Iron Mountain Route.
The official line to the Confederate Veterans' reunion at Dallas, Tex., is \$13.60, inclusive. The train containing the local camps and official party will leave St. Louis 8:30 a. m., April 18, for Dallas, Tex., where it will arrive at 10:30 a. m. Tickets for the reunion are on sale at the depot, southeast corner Sixth and Olive streets.

EDITORS READ PAPERS AND DISCUSSED THEM.

Topic of Live Interest to Newspapermen Occupied the Day's Work—Reception Tendered.

REPUBLICAN SPECIAL.
Hot Springs, Ark., April 17.—Many interesting papers were discussed during both the morning, afternoon and evening sessions of the National Editorial Convention here to-day.

The identity of an editor, by W. R. Palmer of Carrollton, Mo., was well received and well presented. "American Mining Papers" was well handled by Professor R. H. H. Jackson, Miss. brought about a discussion, which was led by Joseph B. McCabe of Boston, Mass. Newspaper Editor Building and Arrangement of the Same," by W. S. Chambers, New Castle, Ind. The discussion that followed was led by W. P. Farrar, Wash. D. C.

During the afternoon session H. A. Castle, Sixth Auditor, Washington, D. C., delivered a paper on "The Practice of Journalism," by Mrs. Carrie M. Ogilvie, Des Moines, Ia., was well received and created quite a lot of interest. The paper was read by W. P. Farrar, Wash. D. C., and was a profitable to newspapermen.

A reception and ball was tendered the visitors from the practice of journalism, etc., and was largely attended.

NEW TICKET OFFICE OF VANDALLA-PENNSYLVANIA LINES IS AT 7TH AND OLIVE STS.

Chicago Employer's Method of Encouraging Large Families.

REPUBLICAN SPECIAL.
Chicago, Ill., April 17.—When William Roach sent a message to hurry to his home he thought some misfortune awaited him. When he arrived there he found that he was the father of triplets. There were two boys and one girl in the family, all well and fat.

The appearance of the three children today on a lecture tour, said that he would receive \$300 as a prize from his employer, Alderman Thomas Carey, who recently offered his workmen prizes of \$50 and \$100 for triplets and twins.

WON \$300 PRIZE FOR TRIPLETS.

More "Rooms for Rent" ads are printed in The Republic every day than any other St. Louis newspaper. One hundred and seventy-five of them to-day.

FAILED TO VISIT LATHROP.

Mr. Bryan Does Not Know if It Is a British Supply Point.

Kansas City, Mo., April 17.—William J. Bryan, who passed through Kansas City to-day on a lecture tour, said that he had intended to visit the alleged British remount camp at Lathrop, Mo., but was unable to make the train connections.

Knowing nothing about the camp at Lathrop, said Mr. Bryan. "The camp at Chalmette, La., is, however, in my opinion, the most important of the kind. The British have no right to use any camp on United States soil as a base for military operations in another country."

Pure Linen Hand-embroidered handkerchiefs for women—700 dozen in all—beautifully sheer and fine—unusually nice at a quarter—on sale Friday at 15 cents apiece.

Also a second assortment of fine sheer handkerchiefs will be presented at 25 cents each.

Stylish Trimmings—

We will make an attractive show to-morrow of every good new style in dress ornamentation.

Some beautiful black and white appliques—new designs confined to S, V. & B.—1 to 8 inches wide—75 cents to \$6.50 a yard.

Batiste band trimmings—so very fashionable—ecru and white with allovers to match—for blouses—and to trim foulards and wash dresses—75 cents to \$2.50.

Point de Venice bands—white and ecru—at 15 cents to \$10.50 a yard—allovers to match \$1.35 to \$10 a yard.

Nets—black—La Tosca in square and round mesh—50 cents to \$3.

Black figured and dotted nets at 75 cents to \$7.50 a yard.

Ruffs

Just in—large consignment of the fashionable all black—black and white—gray and white and colors—on sale Friday at \$5 to \$25.

Langley and Santos-Dumont
DRY GOODS COMPANY

NEW RECORD PRICES OFFERED FOR COTTON

Shorts in New York and New Orleans in a State of Panic Over Market Conditions.

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The death of Mr. Miller was sudden and came as a severe shock to his many friends. He had been ill since Monday night, and had been in the hospital for several days. He was a native of Germany, and had lived in this country for over sixty years.

CREED REVISION COMPLETED.

Unanimous Report Will Be Made by Committee.

Washington, April 17.—The Presbyterian Creed Revision Committee completed its labors to-day and adjourned. The committee agreed unanimously upon a report to be made to the General Assembly, which meets in New York on May 15. The committee reversed the right to offer minor matters in the report to be made to the assembly, but the final report was unanimous and hearty. The differences referred entirely to the question of principle or doctrine. As finally determined upon the brief statement is to contain articles on God, revelation, divine purposes, the creation, the sin of man, the grace of God, election, our Lord Jesus Christ, faith and repentance, holy spirit, new birth and the new life, the resurrection and the life to come, the law of God, the church and sacraments, last judgment, Christian services the final triumph.

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Need but a generous sun bath several times a year to keep them indefinitely "as good as new." They do not mat nor pack—never become hard—lumpy—nor sag.

A New York physician, famous in nervous and mental disorders, writes—"I do not hesitate to say that they are the best mattresses I have ever used either in a public or private hospital"—may we give you a copy of the "Ostermoor" book with letters from people in high authority?

Won't you take the elevator up to the House Beautiful on the third floor the next time you are in the store and ask to see this luxuriously comfortable mattress?

Pretty Curtains

Many very nice things for town and country house to be shown to-morrow at prices to attract the thrifty.

Bordered Swiss Curtains with hemstitched ruffles and borders in colors—ornamental blue bands for blue rooms—pink—green—yellow and in Persian effects—\$1.50 and \$2.25 a pair.

Bed Sets to match at \$5 and \$6.

Organdie colonial striped ruffled curtains at \$1.25 a pair.

Swiss muslins—a beautiful selection of the stylish embroidered curtains at \$2 to \$4 a pair.

Renaissance curtains—some particularly good things—cable nets with edge and insertion at \$2.50 and \$2.75 a pair.

Arabian and Cluny laces—Marie Antoinette and Renaissance patterns—exceptionally good—but \$5 a pair.

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DRY GOODS COMPANY

IF YOU HAVE \$100 CASH

And can make \$10 per month payment on a lot that will double and triple in value in a very short time, owing to prospective completion of a boulevard in front of property, write Mercantile Trust Co., Auction Dept. R. 41, for particulars of their "King's Highway Terrace" subdivision.